Assembly Bill No. 1317

CHAPTER 136

An act to add Section 48918.6 to the Education Code, relating to pupils.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1317, Liu. Pupils: expulsion.

Under existing law, a pupil may be expelled from school for specified reasons. Existing law entitles a pupil under consideration of expulsion to a hearing to determine whether the pupil should be expelled.

This bill would, in addition to any other immunity that may exist, expressly deem any testimony provided by a pupil witness in an expulsion hearing conducted pursuant to those provisions to be a privileged publication or broadcast for purpose of those provisions of law relating to libel and slander.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 48918.6 is added to the Education Code, to read:

48918.6. In addition to any other immunity that may exist, any testimony provided by a pupil witness in an expulsion hearing conducted pursuant to this article is expressly deemed to be a communication protected by subdivision (b) of Section 47 of the Civil Code.